

As symbolized by the ludicrously unequal auto tariffs left in place by U.S. negotiators of China trade deals, U.S. policy on automotive trade with China is speeding down the same road, and will likely produce the same results. The United States still runs a small trade surplus in autos with China. But since 2000, Chinese auto exports to the U.S. have outpaced U.S. vehicle exports to China by a four-to-one ratio.

Yet it is vital to realize that the development of China as an automotive export platform has only just begun. Vehicle makers from all over the world (Japan, Europe, the United States, and China itself) are building far more auto production capacity in the People's Republic than the Chinese market can possibly absorb. And since China desperately needs to create jobs to keep politically explosive unemployment in check, Beijing has no interest in preventing or even slowing this production glut. Indeed, to reduce joblessness, it has every interest in encouraging overproduction and exporting the surplus. The United States, the world's largest single national automotive market, and the most open major market by far, is the most promising destination.

Chinese auto makers, who frequently steal U.S. know-how outright or force their U.S. partners to transfer it, have already announced plans to sell hundreds of thousands of vehicles in the United States by 2012. And foreign auto makers in China (including U.S. multinational companies) will jump on the export bandwagon as well.

The bottom line is that, without dramatic changes in U.S. trade policy, China's inevitable emergence as an auto export power will either further undermine U.S.-owned, U.S.-based auto production, or it will permit such production to survive only on a greatly reduced scale, and with a dramatically lower pay structure.

The Unfair Chinese Automotive Tariff Equalization Act can begin reversing this process, and help put the U.S.-owned auto industry and the domestic manufacturing base as a whole back on the path of high-wage growth not low-wage stagnation. And the time to pass it is now, before the Chinese export drive takes off.

We strongly urge prompt House and Senate passage, and we will do everything we can to help make it the law of the land.

Sincerely,

KEVIN L. KEARNS,
President.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 376, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

Mrs. CAPITO, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109-405) on the resolution (H. Res. 766) providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 376) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2007 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2008 through 2011, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 6(a) OF RULE XIII WITH RESPECT TO CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. CAPITO, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109-406) on the resolution (H. Res. 767) waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

A DYNASTY IS BORN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, for years, the University of Maryland Terrapin sports fans have advised our opponents that they should "fear the turtle." Well, tonight, in my opinion, we can alter that formulation somewhat. They should "revere the turtle."

Tonight, Mr. Speaker, I want to extend my congratulations to Coach Brenda Frese and her coaching staff and the University of Maryland Women's Basketball Team on winning the national championship last night with an exciting, nail-biting 78-75 victory in overtime over a talented, courageous Duke University team.

Mr. Speaker, there is a deep, long-standing rivalry between University of Maryland, my alma mater, and Duke University. But I think anyone watching that game last night, regardless of who they were cheering for, had to be unbelievably impressed by the athleticism, the teamwork, the sportsmanship, the determination shown by the women of both teams, the University of Maryland and Duke, two great universities.

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Quite simply, this was college athletics at its finest, and I might say, at least in the second half for me, the most entertaining. Who could not be impressed by this awesome display of basketball fundamentals, from shooting, to passing, to rebounding, to sound team defense.

In their come-from-behind win, the Terrapins erased a 13-point second-half deficit. The largest deficit that had been overcome, except for a 14-point deficit, and the freshman guard, Kristi Toliver, hit a 3-point shot with 6.1 seconds left to play, and she hit that shot over an extraordinary center who plays for Duke who is 6 foot 7 fully extended, and she got that shot over her outstretched hand. Kristi is not lacking in confidence, you can tell.

Terp Marissa Coleman said, "We've played like this all year. Nothing gets to us. We never thought we were going to lose this game." That positive psychology led to victory.

The Terps win caps a tremendous 34-4 season and makes Maryland only the

fourth university in America, and the gentleman from Connecticut is here, and Connecticut is one of those universities who has had both of its men's team win the national championship and its women's team win the national championship. They are two extraordinary programs, both the men and women in Connecticut. Stanford is one of those four, and then there are two ACC schools that fit that category, the University of North Carolina and the University of Maryland. Our men's team won the national championship just a few years ago in 2002.

The Lady Terps' championship quest was not paved with ease, however. Before reaching the final matchup with Duke University, the team defeated Sacred Heart 91-80; St. John's, an outstanding program, 81-74; and defending national champion Baylor 82-63; Utah in overtime 75-65; then perennial powers North Carolina, 81-70. And lastly, for the national championship, the extraordinarily good Duke team.

Mr. Speaker, this was a consummate team win for the most unselfish of teams. In this championship game, for example, three Terps scored 16 points each. One scored 12 points, and another scored 10 points. In other words, all five starters were in double figures.

And, what makes this championship win even more impressive is that the Terps have no seniors on their team. They started two freshmen, two sophomores and one junior so we are going to be around for a little bit of time. The Lady Terps are extraordinary young women, proud today, as they will be tomorrow when I think we are visiting the White House. They are: Charmaine Carr; Marissa Coleman; Shay Doron; Laura Harper, who was voted the most outstanding player of the tournament among a lot of outstanding players; Crystal Langhorne, an All American; Kristi Marrone; Kalika France; Ashleigh Newman; Aurelie Noriez; Jade Perry; Angel Ross; Kristi Toliver and Sa'de Wiley-Gatewood.

The coaching staff, in addition to Head Coach Frese, includes Jeff Walz, Erica Floyd, Joanna Bernabei, and Director of Basketball Operations Mark Pearson.

Let me say that Head Coach Frese deserves extraordinary credit for turning the Maryland women's program around in just 4 short years she has been at Maryland. We got her from Minnesota. I know Minnesota is sorry to have lost her, but what a great gain for us. Brenda arrived in College Park in 2003 from the University of Minnesota after leading the Gophers to a 2-8 record in 2002 and being named the Associated Press National Coach of the Year.

In 2003, the Terps went 10-18 in a rebuilding year, and in both 2004 and 2005, just the next season, Brenda Frese saw her teams advance to the second round of the NCAA tournament with records of 18-13 and 22-10 respectively in those years.

Let me also note the extraordinary leadership and vision of the University of Maryland's athletic director, Debbie Yow, who recruited Brenda Frese to take the head coaching job.

My colleagues will be interested to know that some years ago one of the curmudgeons and one of the real characters, and I think one of the most popular Members of this body came up to me, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. COBLE) and he said to me, You are a friend of the President of the University of Maryland.

I said, Yes, I am.

He said, Well, you have considered a woman for Athletic Director. Her name is Debbie Yow. She is from North Carolina.

Now this curmudgeon does not always impress me as being a feminist, and I thought to myself if Howard Coble thinks this woman can be the Athletic Director, and I had never met her, but I knew she was an impressive lady.

The next day I picked up the phone and called the President of the College Park campus and said I don't know Debbie Yow, but I will tell you this, in North Carolina she has a Congressman who thinks she is absolutely one of the best talents around. I think we ought to hire her. Within a week we hired Debbie Yow to be our Athletic Director. Shortly thereafter she brought Ralph Friedgen to lead our football team, and he had three 10-win seasons back to back, although we have not done too well the last 2 years.

But in closing, let me say that we are extraordinarily proud of the Lady Terps. As the father of three women in particular, I am proud of the extraordinary talent displayed and the courage displayed and the athleticism displayed by not just the Maryland team but by all of the young women who played the NCAA tournament.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WESTMORELAND). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. DREIER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of remarks.)

HONORING NANCY TEMPLE

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to proceed at this time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Colorado (Mrs. MUSGRAVE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the memory of Nancy Temple. She was born September 20, 1959 to Milton and Pearl Tormohlen in Fort Morgan, Colorado.

She was the only girl in a family of three and she was a delight to her family, especially her father.

Nancy was a tenacious spirit who had great love for the Lord. She was a dedicated member of her church and displayed a strong faith in the Lord and a strong commitment to her family. Nancy's commitment to family was manifested in everything she did. She was especially fond of children and treated all of them as if they were her own, and they all adored her.

Nancy taught Sunday school in her church and helped out in 4-H clubs and organized the After Prom and the After Graduation parties. She was a key leader in the booster club for both sports and academics at Fort Morgan High School. She worked at Pioneer Elementary School for almost 15 years, and was a leader in the teen parenting program. She received a scholarship to attend college for her involvement in the teen parenting program.

Her passion for life was often manifested in music. Nancy loved musicals, dancing and singing and she played the flute.

Nancy's activity in the community began during her time in Fort Morgan High School where she participated in the Morgan High Singers and the pom-pom squad. She also played volleyball, softball and later she continued to play in the city leagues.

She graduated from high school in 1977 with her classmate Keith Temple who would later become her loving husband. Keith Temple met Nancy Tormohlen while she was waiting tables at the Mouse's House in Brush, Colorado, and their first date was dinner at her brother's home. Keith and Nancy married on April 7, 1979. They would have been married for 27 years this year.

She loved all children and she was blessed to have two of her own. Tiffany was born on June 10, 1983, and Becki was born November 5, 1985. She gained a son-in-law when Tiffany married Matt Wulf, and on January 6, 2003, her grandson, Eric Alan Wulf was born. She was very close to her daughters and son-in-law and had a very special relationship with her little grandson. She brought a light into his life that will shine well beyond her time with him.

Nancy passed away unexpectedly on January 21, 2006. After she passed, members of the community recognized her commitment and honored her for it. Previously, in 2003, Nancy was one of the first recipients of the community's Crystal Apple Award. One of her students commented that she was "my second mom." Another young man serving in the Navy said "Nancy was the only one who kept in contact with me while I was out to sea."

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Nancy Temple's dedication to her community and I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the legacy she left behind. She touched the lives of many with her caring spirit. The world was a better place for having known her. We will miss her

dearly. We will always remember her zest for life, her loving heart and her inner and outer beauty. May God bless and comfort those who mourn her passing.

COMMUNICATION FROM EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT OF HON. THADDEUS MCCOTTER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Lisa Subrize, Executive Assistant to the Honorable THADDEUS MCCOTTER, Member of Congress:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

April 5, 2006.

The Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have been served with a grand jury subpoena for testimony issued by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the precedents and privileges of the House.

Sincerely,

LISA SUBRIZE,
Executive Assistant.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PALLONE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

THE DELPHI MYTH

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to claim the time of the gentleman from New Jersey.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. KUCINICH) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, a number of Members of Congress from the Democratic side have come together in a process known as an e-hearing where we have solicited from people across the country their concerns in particular about the auto industry, trade law, labor law and Delphi Corporation filing for bankruptcy.

This evening, a number of us will come before this House to make a presentation on behalf of people who participated in the e-hearing and to make clear the direction this country must go in with respect to our trade law, labor law and with respect to the Delphi case.

I want to begin by thanking the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) who is the ranking member on our committee for his work in helping to organize this hearing, and hopefully he will be here himself to participate,